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SUBJECT: VANGUARD UNIONIST PARTY CALLS FOR BAN ON
NORTHERN AID ORGANIZATION AND IRISH NATIONAL
CAUCUS

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1. BELFAST NEWS LETTER UNDER HEADLINE "END IRA FUND
RAISING" CARRIED FOLLOWING ARTICLE PAGE 3 MAY 10: QUOTE

FUND RAISING IN AMERICA FOR THE IRA MUST BE STOPPED
THE VANGUARD PARTY SAID YESTERDAY. THE PARTY HAS CALLED
ON THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO EXERT DIPLOMATIC PRESSURE ON
THE UNITED STATES TO THIS END.

A STATEMENT SAID:

THE OBJECTIVE REPORTING OF THE "THIS WEEK" TEAM HAS
MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT THE IRISH NATIONAL CAUCUS, WHICH
EMBODIES THE NORTHERN AID ORGANISATION, HAS IN THE PAST
GIVEN FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE PROVISIONAL IRA.

THESE ORGANISATIONS HAVE SENT 500,000 POUNDS STG.
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TO THE REPUBLICAN MOVEMENT IN THE LAST SIX YEARS AND

40,000 POUNDS STG, IT WAS REVEALED WAS GIVEN TO IRA LEADER JOE CAHILL.

THE PRESENT FUND-RAISING TRIP OF JOHN JOE MCGURL, AN EX-DETAINEE, WHO DECLARED PUBLICLY HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE PROVISIONAL IRA, HAS SHOWN THAT FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS BEING GIVEN TO AN ORGANISATION THAT HAS MURDERED SOLDIERS, POLICEMEN AND INNOCENT CIVILIANS INSIDE BRITISH TERRITORY.

THE UNITED STATES IS SUPPOSEDLY ONE OF BRITAIN'S OLDEST ALLIES AND WE WOULD HOPE THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL NOW BRING DIPLOMATIC PRESSURE TO BEAR ON THE UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATION TO BAN BOTH THE IRISH NATIONAL CAUCUS AND THE NORTHERN AID ORGANISATION.

THE TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY CLEARLY REVEALED THE EXTENT OF AMERICAN SUPPORT FOR THE PROVISIONAL IRA AND THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT MUST TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO SEE THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT DOES NOT ALLOW HER TERRITORY TO BE USED FOR FUND-RAISING TO BUY ARMS FOR THE PROVISIONAL IRA WHO, IN TURN, WILL USE THESE ARMS TO MURDER BRITISH SOLDIERS, POLICEMEN AND SUBJECTS.
UNQUOTE.

2. VANGUARD PARTY IS HEADED BY WESTMINSTER M.P. WILLIAM CRAIG. OF THREE PARTIES IN UNIONIST COALITION IT IS BELIEVED BE THE MOST SYMPATHETIC TO ULSTER WORKERS COUNCIL AND PROTESTANT PARAMILITARY GROUPS.

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